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SUBJECT: IMPENDING SYRIAN-JORDANIAN UNION

REF: STATE 037838

1. WHEN WITH SADAT TODAY, I ASKED IF HE COULD
CONFIRM REPORTS THAT A SYRIAN-JORDANIAN
CONFEDERATION MIGHT BE CONTEMPLATED. SADAT
RESPONDED THE BE BELIEVES ASAD AND HUSSEIN ARE
SERIOUS ABOUT ESTABLISHING SOME KIND OF UNITY.
IRONICALLY, HE NOTED, IT IS WIDELY BELIEVED
IN THE ARAB WORLD THAT THIS IS AN
QUOTE AMERICAN PLAN UNQUOTE. HUSSEIN HAD
COVERTLY LET IT BE KNOWN THAT WE ARE ENCOURAGING
SUCH A UNION.

2. SADAT INDICATED THAT HE IS NOT OPPOSED TO
SUCH A CONFEREATION. NOR IS HE WORRIED ABOUT
IT. ANY SUCH UNION WILL HAVE ITS INTERNAL
CONTRADICTIONS FROM THE VERY OUTSET. HE WOULD
GIVE IT SIX MONTHS AT THE MOST.
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